

Bank of North America  
305-07 Chestnut Street  
Philadelphia  
Philadelphia County  
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-1391

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

ADDENDUM  
FOLLOWS...

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
PENNSYLVANIA	PHILADELPHIA	PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) BANK OF NORTH AMERICA		HABS NO. PA-1391
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 305-07 Chestnut Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1893-95	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Jas. H. & John T. Windrim, architects; George Watson & Son, contractors	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Bank of North America, chartered in 1781, was the nation's first commercial bank. In 1929, it merged with the Pennsylvania Company for Banking and Trusts.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Neo-classical		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Jonesboro granite with Quincy granite base and polished Scotch granite columns. Brick and joists were used as internal supports.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Dimensions: 56'-6" (three-bay front) X 118'-4" with four-story rear addition. See page 4 for a sketched floor plan.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Front facade: smooth rusticated wall and projecting columned entrance on ground floor; central balcony with Tuscan columns and pediment on upper stories. Window tops had classical treatment. See page 3 for a front view of the building in pre-demolished state.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Original first floor plan included main banking room, cashier's room, and President's room. Stairway was an open type of iron construction. Some mahogany and oak woodwork were used. Most walls were of "rough cast", according to 1894 insurance survey. Second floor ceiling had 24 stucco panels and 3 centers. Wainscoting and architraves (con't. on page 2)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Alterations made to meet modern necessities.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Demolished 1972.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Webster, Richard. <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> . Philadelphia: Temple University, 1976. Other information is based on 1894 insurance survey (name of company not known).		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Susan McCown, editor, Historic American Buildings Survey		DATE 2-2-1984

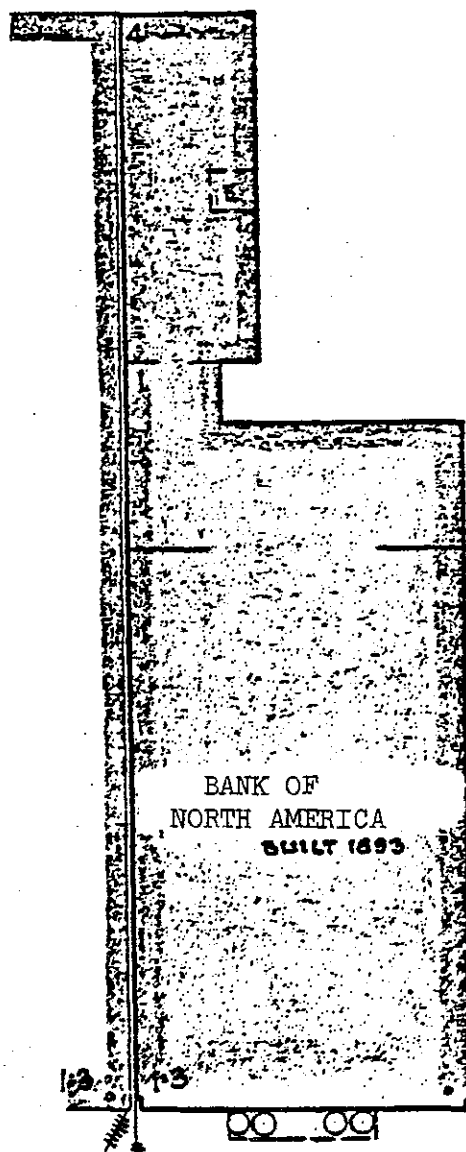
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (continued from page one):

were used. The rear section of the building included a dumbwaiter; an iron door was used in each story.



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